### 22.103

enforcement of the Occupational Safety and Health Act.

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#### 22.103 Overtime.

#### 22.103-1 Definition.

Normal workweek, as used in this subpart, means, generally, a workweek of 40 hours. Outside the United States and its outlying areas, a workweek longer than 40 hours is considered normal if—

- (1) The workweek does not exceed the norm for the area, as determined by local custom, tradition, or law; and
- (2) The hours worked in excess of 40 in the workweek are not compensated at a premium rate of pay.

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## 22.103-2 Policy.

Contractors shall perform all contracts, so far as practicable, without using overtime, particularly as a regular employment practice, except when lower overall costs to the Government will result or when it is necessary to meet urgent program needs. Any approved overtime, extra-pay shifts, and multishifts should be scheduled to achieve these objectives.

## 22.103-3 Procedures.

- (a) Solicitations normally shall not specify delivery or performance schedules that may require overtime at Government expense.
- (b) In negotiating contracts, contracting officers should, consistent with the Government's needs, attempt to (1) ascertain the extent that offers are based on the payment of overtime and shift premiums and (2) negotiate contract prices or estimated costs without these premiums or obtain the requirement from other sources.
- (c) When it becomes apparent during negotiations of applicable contracts (see 22.103–5(b)) that overtime will be required in contract performance, the contracting officer shall secure from the contractor a request for all overtime to be used during the life of the contract, to the extent that the overtime can be estimated with reasonable

certainty. The contractor's request shall contain the information required by paragraph (b) of the clause at 52.222–2, Payment for Overtime Premiums.

## 22.103-4 Approvals.

- (a) The contracting officer shall review the contractor's request for overtime. Approval of the use of overtime may be granted by an agency approving official after determining in writing that overtime is necessary to—
- (1) Meet essential delivery or performance schedules;
- (2) Make up for delays beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the contractor; or
- (3) Eliminate foreseeable extended production bottlenecks that cannot be eliminated in any other way.
- (b) Approval by the designated official of use and total dollar amount of overtime is required before inclusion of an amount in paragraph (a) of the clause at 52.222-2, Payment for Overtime Premiums. This clause is to be inserted in cost-reimbursement contracts over \$100,000, except for those exempted under 22.103-5(b).
- (c) Contracting officer approval of payment of overtime premiums is required for time-and-materials and labor-hour contracts (see paragraph (a)(3) of the clause at 52.232-7, Payments Under Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts).
- (d) No approvals are required for paying overtime premiums under other types of contracts.
- (e) Approvals by the agency approving official (see 22.103–4(a)) may be for an individual contract, project, program, plant, division, or company, as practical.
- (f) During contract performance, contractor requests for overtime exceeding the amount authorized by paragraph (a) of the clause at 52.222–2, Payment for Overtime Premiums, shall be submitted as stated in paragraph (b) of the clause to the office administering the contract. That office will review the request and if it approves, send the request to the contracting officer. If the contracting officer determines that the requested overtime should be approved in whole or in part, the contracting officer shall request the approval of the agency's designated approving official

and modify paragraph (a) of the clause to reflect any approval.

- (g) Overtime premiums at Government expense should not be approved when the contractor is already obligated, without the right to additional compensation, to meet the required delivery date.
- (h) When the use of overtime is authorized under a contract, the office administering the contract and the auditor should periodically review the use of overtime to ensure that it is allowable in accordance with the criteria in part 31. Only overtime premiums for work in those departments, sections, etc., of the contractor's plant that have been individually evaluated and the necessity for overtime confirmed shall be considered for approval.
- (i) Approvals for using overtime shall ordinarily be prospective, but, if justified by emergency circumstances, approvals may be retroactive.

# 22.103-5 Contract clauses.

- (a) The contracting officer shall insert the clause 52.222–1, Notice to the Government of Labor Disputes, in solicitations and contracts that involve programs or requirements that have been designated under 22.101–1(e).
- (b) The contracting officer shall include the clause at 52.222–2, Payment for Overtime Premiums, in solicitations and contracts when a cost-reimbursement contract is contemplated and the contract amount is expected to be over \$100,000; unless (a) a cost-reimbursement contract for operation of vessels is contemplated, or (b) a cost-plus-incentive-fee contract that will provide a swing from the target fee of at least plus or minus 3 percent and a contractor's share of at least 10 percent is contemplated.

## Subpart 22.2—Convict Labor

## 22.201 General.

(a) Executive Order 11755, December 29, 1973, as amended by Executive Order 12608, September 9, 1987, and Executive Order 12943, December 13, 1994, states: "The development of the occupational and educational skills of prison inmates is essential to their rehabilitation and to their ability to make an effective return to free society. Meaning-

ful employment serves to develop those skills. It is also true, however, that care must be exercised to avoid either the exploitation of convict labor or any unfair competition between convict labor and free labor in the production of goods and services." The Executive order does not prohibit the contractor, in performing the contract, from employing—

- (1) Persons on parole or probation;
- (2) Persons who have been pardoned or who have served their terms;
  - (3) Federal prisoners; or
- (4) Nonfederal prisoners authorized to work at paid employment in the community under the laws of a jurisdiction listed in the Executive order if—
- (i) The worker is paid or is in an approved work training program on a voluntary basis;
- (ii) Representatives of local union central bodies or similar labor union organizations have been consulted;
  - (iii) Paid employment will not—
- (A) Result in the displacement of employed workers;
- (B) Be applied in skills, crafts, or trades in which there is a surplus of available gainful labor in the locality;
- (C) Impair existing contracts for services;
- (iv) The rates of pay and other conditions of employment will not be less than those for work of a similar nature in the locality where the work is being performed; and
- (v) The Attorney General of the United States has certified that the work-release laws or regulations of the jurisdiction involved are in conformity with the requirements of Executive Order 11755, as amended.
- (b) Department of Justice regulations authorize the Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance to exercise the power and authority vested in the Attorney General by the Executive order to certify and to revoke the certification of work-release laws or regulations (see 28 CFR 0.94–1(b)).

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# 22.202 Contract clause.

Insert the clause at 52.222-3, Convict Labor, in solicitations and contracts above the micro-purchase threshold, when the contract will be performed in